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COMMUNICATION

The Amendment mailed January 9, 2007 is considered by Applicants to be fully responsive to both the Office Action mailed November 21, 2006 and the Office Action mailed December 11, 2006.

In the earlier Office Action, Applicants' claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 90, 14-18 and 20 were considered allowable subject to the filing of a Terminal Disclaimer. Such a Terminal Disclaimer was filed but was subsequently discovered to be in error. The error resulted in the nonacceptance of the Terminal Disclaimer. This non-acceptance was the basis for the further rejection cited in the Office Action mailed December 11, 2006. The amendment mailed January 9, 2007 is considered to obviate the double-patenting rejection over a co-pending patent application.

Accordingly, it is considered that the amendment mailed January 9th is fully responsive to both currently outstanding Office Actions, i.e., the Office Action mailed November 21, 2006 and the Office Action mailed December 11, 2006.

As previously requested, it is considered that Applicants' claims are now in condition for allowance and such is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted.

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